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in Subterranean Formations

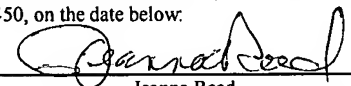
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO
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In response to the Office Action mailed on March 5, 2007, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the amendments and remarks set forth below.